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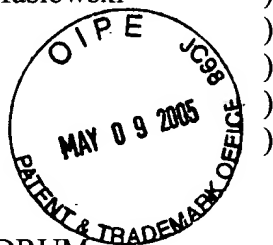
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Examiner: Niki M. ELOSHWAY



For: GASKETLESS DRUM

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Sir:

This is a full and complete response to the Non-Final Office Action dated January 10, 2005, setting a three month shortened statutory time period for a reply. A response was due April 10, 2005. A Petition for a one month Extension of Time along with the requisite fee is submitted herewith extending the time for response to May 10, 2005.

In view of the following amendments and remarks, the Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to reconsider and withdraw the outstanding rejections and allow all claims pending in the application.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.